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Applicant : George E. Berkey, et al.  
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Title : METHOD FOR TREATING AN OPTICAL FIBER  
PREFORM  
WITH DEUTERIUM

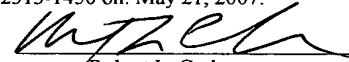
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**RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of March 20, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.